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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FUNDING UNDER THE PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE UNDER THE PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department is requesting that your Board authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept funding from the Department of Justice under the Prison Rape Elimination Act.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from the Department of Justice (DOJ) under the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA). The County of Los Angeles Probation Department's (Probation) grant award is estimated at \$250,000 for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2015.
2. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer, or his designee, to execute any agreements, amendments, related documents, or extensions with the DOJ.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain Board approval to authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from the DOJ for Probation's PREA Training Program. Probation's grant award is estimated at \$250,000 for the period of October 1, 2013 through

September 30, 2015. PREA funding will be used to develop and implement a comprehensive PREA Training Program at Probation's juvenile correctional facilities. The program will support Probation's training/education efforts required by PREA Juvenile Facility Standards. This includes institutional staff and volunteers/contractors/partner agency staff as required.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal #1 Operational Effectiveness and Goal #3 Integrated Services Delivery. Implementation of the recommendations will enable Probation to provide a PREA Training Program.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The grant award is estimated at \$250,000 for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2015. There is no net County cost (NCC) match requirement.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In May 2013, the DOJ released the PREA Program: Demonstration Projects to Establish "Zero Tolerance" Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities competitive grant application. Probation submitted its application on July 5, 2013. In November 2013, the DOJ approved Probation's application.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The funding provided by this grant will provide Probation with resources to hire a training consultant to assist with the on-going development of training curriculum and conduct training for lead trainers, who will, in turn provide training/refresher training to institutional staff and volunteers/contractors/partner agency staff and three (3) Probation staff who will oversee/train and track training process for the Institutional Bureaus.

Respectfully submitted,



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c: Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board
County Counsel
Chief Executive Office